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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition is healthy to provide the best service across Missouri and keep costs down. Broadband is critical to me for my home business.

Having competitive services is what we need NOT fewer services and higher prices.

The rural area needs Broadband services. I choose a competitive provider because they are local and give me prompt personal service. That is not what always happened when I was with a larger company.

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